

2.20 LEAD PAINT TRAINING AND INSTRUCTOR APPROVALS

- ❑ *Question: Do I conduct a training course involved in the abatement of lead paint? OR*
- ❑ *Question: Am I an instructor who trains workers, supervisors, inspectors or risk assessors who provide lead paint abatement services?*

Why do I need this approval?

Providers of training for persons involved in the abatement of lead paint must employ instructors and conduct training courses that are accredited by the Department.

Training courses for workers, supervisors, inspectors and risk assessors who provide lead paint abatement services or are involved with lead paint abatement in Maryland are designed to instruct those individuals of the potential toxic effects of exposure to lead and to provide methods to protect workers and sensitive populations from exposure to lead during abatement activities.

The primary hazard addressed in the training courses is exposure to lead from old painted surfaces containing lead in the paint. This exposure may contribute to childhood hyperactivity, slowed growth, and damage to a child's brain or nervous system.

What laws or regulations give MDE the legal authority to issue this approval?

STATE: Environment Article - Title 6, Subtitle 10, Annotated Code of Maryland; COMAR 26.16.01.

What is the process to get this approval?

Lead paint course instructor:

- 1) Successfully complete an accredited course in the category which you intend to teach.
- 2) Submit a completed application form MDE-320 for courses you are qualified to teach.
- 3) Submit documentation including on-site experience with relevant lead abatement projects.
- 4) Pass an examination administered by the Department with at least a 90%.

Lead paint training course:

- 1) Submit a completed application form MDE-319 for each training course to be accredited.
- 2) Include a curriculum detailing: learning objectives; course outline; time allocated for specific topics; description of learning activities, teaching materials, training facility; and plans for administering examination, issuing ID cards, and reporting to the Department.
- 3) Include the qualifications of course instructor and expert instructor, and include the name of the designated primary instructor and each accredited instructor.

- 4) Mail application package to:
Coordinator, Accreditation and Training
Environmental Lead Division

Maryland Department of the Environment
1800 Washington Boulevard, Suite 630
Baltimore, Maryland 21230-1719

5) The Department will review the package, discuss any deficiencies and/or schedule an on-site audit of a training class.

6) At the completion of a successful on-site audit, the Department will issue the approval.

Are there any other requirements?

Lead paint course instructors are accredited by the Department after successfully completing specified training courses at least equivalent to the course which the applicant intends to teach, successfully passing an examination administered by the Department which covers essential technical and regulatory knowledge, and demonstrating relevant work experience in conducting lead paint abatement activities.

An instructor for lead paint inspector technician courses must be an accredited inspector with a minimum of 6 months experience in lead paint inspection.

Lead paint training courses are accredited by the Department based on the submission of a satisfactory curriculum, the use of accredited instructors, and the completion of a successful on-site audit by the Department.

How long should I expect it to take to get this approval once I submit a complete application?

Type of Approval	Turnaround Time
Instructor approvals	30 days
Training course approvals	60 days

Once I get this approval, how long will it last?

12 months

How much will this approval cost?

Training Provider - \$300

Who do I contact with additional questions?

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